GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF SEISMIC STATIONS
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Government of Tamil Nadu to set up a Seismic Survey Station at Salem;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up seismic survey stations across the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

(a) & (b): Yes. Sir. The India Meteorological Department has set up a seismological observatory temporarily at Collector`s office, Salem. This observatory is functional since September, 1999 and the State Government of Tamil Nadu has been requested to allot suitable site/land for establishing the observatory in permanent mode.

(c) & (d): The India Meteorological Department, which is the nodal agency for monitoring of earthquake activity in the country, presently, operates a network of 57 seismic stations across the country. In addition, 38 observatories are functional in project mode at various locations in the country with the support of Department of Science & Technology. State- wise details are annexed.